GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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USE OF EDIBLE OIL
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Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Research and Development wing in his Ministry has made any efforts to find out ways and means to economize use of expensive edible oils in food preparations;

(b) if so, the result thereof;

(c) whether result of research has been made operational; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI N.T. SHANMUGAM)

(a) & (b): Ministry of Food Processing Industries has given grant to CFTRI,a research institution under the Council of Scientific and Industrial Research for number of R&D projects. CFTRI has reported that they have done extensive work on conservation of expensive edible oils in food preparations. Expensive edible oils are blended with cheaper vegetable oils, which in addition to economy improve nutritional value of oil.

(c): Yes, Sir. These oils are available in the Indian markets.

(d): Does not arise.